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BRITISH EXTENDING HOLDING ALL GAINS

Reinforced Germans Are Offering Desperate Resistance, But Gen. Byng Keeps at It.

MORE THAN 100 GUNS

Important and Dominating High Ground About Bourlon Wood Taken-Graphic Story of Battles.

Reinforced by divisions from other sectors of the western front, the Germans are resisting desperately the British advance on Cambrai. Around Fontaine Notre Dame, less than three miles has occurred, with the British making the bottom. .

Gen. Byng is combining his attacks with consolidation work and the British are firmly established in their new positions, which give opportunities to destroy the usefulness of Cambrai as a supply center as well as a starting place for a Queant line or west against Cambrai. Heavy fighting is taking place at Moeuvres, three miles west-southwest of Fon taine Notre Dame, and at Crevecoeur about three miles south of Cambrai, at the other end of the wedge driven across the Hindenburg line Tuesday and Wed-

Put Up Strong Resistance.

The Bourlon wood is the dominating hill to the west of Cambral, and the Germans have put up a strong resist here as well as at Fontaine Notre Dame, which flanks the wood to the west. The British have made advances at the southern and southwestern edges of the wood. In addition to nearly ,000 prisoners the British have cap tured large quantities of war materia and more than 100 guns.

Fighting activity has been renewed i Flexiders, but on a small scale. South-east of Tpres Field Marshal Haig made a slight advance in the direction of Menin. German artillery fire is heavy on this front, especially around Pass-chendaels.

Make Further Progress.

Associated Press LONDON, November 24.—At various points west of Cambrai the British made progress yesterday, the war office reports. More than 100 guns have been captured recently in this area. The statement follows:

"Operations were successfully carried out by us yesterday west of Cambrai. After severe fighting, in which the Germans offered stubborn resistance, our troops stormed the important and dominating high ground about Bourlon wood. To the east of Bourlon wood some progress was made in the neighborhood of Fontaine Notre Dame.
"West of the wood our troops made further progress along the Hindenburg line astride the Canal du Nord, in the vicinity of Mouvres. Farther west, bevicinity of Mouvres. Farther west, be-tween Mouvres and Queant, the London Scottish Regiment captured an impor-tant spur giving observation over the Hindenburg line to the west and north.

Capture Strong Point.

"In the vicinity of Bullecourt our troops gained further ground during the night, capturing a hostile strong point, with a number of prisoners.

"The number of prisoners captured in yesterday's attack has not yet been ascertained. Since the beginning of the operations on November 20 it is known that more than 100 guns have been taken by us, including several heavy guns of calibers up to eight inches."

Number of Aerial Fights.

The official statement on aerial operations issued last night reads:

"The bad weather continued Thursday, preventing all flying except at a very low height. Our airplanes were very active in attacking hostile troops and transports on the roads in the neighborhood of Cambrai with bombs and machine gun fire. A number of fights occurred with the enemy's low-flying machines, three of which were brought down. Two others were driven down out of control and a hostile balloon also was brought down. driven down out of control and a hos-tile balloon also was brought down affame. Five of our airplanes are miss-

German Raids Fail.

PARIS, November 24 .- "During th PARIS. November 24.—"During the night the enemy undertook several raids, especially in the region of Courcy and in the Argonne," says today's official communication. "He gained no success and suffered losses.

'In the Champagne we took prisoners in a raid east of Auberive. Everywhere else the night was calm.

"Dunkirk was bombarded by airplanes last night. There were no victims, and the damage was insignificant."

Main Fight Along Canal.

By the Associated Press.

BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, Friday, November 23.—
The main attack on the opening of the offensive Tuesday was along the western bank of the Canal du Nord, which runs almost due north and south from a point a little west of Havrincourt. The main Hindenburg line trenches were built along this waterway and the British had to fight their way up the big ditch.

There was intense hard work almos There was intense hard work almost from the start as the Ulsterites who undertook this task got in among the German defenses. Because of the secret nature of the attack no artillery could be used to cut the tremendously strong lines of barbed wire in front of the trenches and the tanks were not operating in this section. Therefore it was necessary for the Irishmen to charge the entanglements and bomb them to pleces in order to force their way through.

Expense of \$4.—The NEW HAVEN, November 24.—The formal opening and public inspection this morning of Yale's Artillery Hall marked the completion of the equipment for the university's school of field artillery. The Yale Artillery Armory, built by the graduates at an expense of \$135,000, was dedicated at commencement last June.

In this hall the 674 members of the

DEPTH BOMB USED LINE NEAR CAMBRAI: | BY U. S. DESTROYERS SINKS SUBMARINE

of another German submarine by American destroyers reached the Navy Department today in a cabled report from Vice Admiral Sims. The submarine, damaged by a depth bomb, went down with SEIZED DURING DRIVE all on board after a destroyer had attached a line and was attempt ing to take her in tow.

Two destroyers took part in the action. One, sighting a periscope at 400 vards, headed for it and dropped a deadly depth bomb. Soon afterward the submarine came to the surface, with no sign of life aboard. The second destroyer steamed up and attached a artillery preparation on the Italian mounwest of Cambrai, and the Bourlon wood line, but the U-boat, apparently tain front from the Asiago plateau to close by the most strenuous fighting shattered by the bomb, went to

Secretary Daniels announced the reort in this statement: been accounted for by American de- after heavy artillery preparation, all stroyers operating in European waters. failed. While on patrol duty a destroyer sighted a periscope 400 yards off. Immediate drive either north behind Drocourt- ly ringing full speed ahead, the commanding officer headed his craft to pass a few yards ahead of the submarine. As the destroyer passed over the U-boat's course a depth charge was dropped. This evidently caused damage to the U-boat, which shortly afterward broach-ed and came to the surface about 500 yards away.

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"Fire was immediately opened on the submarine by two of our destroyers which circled about their target.

"The submarine did not return the fire and was evidently disabled. One of the destroyers got a line to her intending to tow her, but the boat soon sank."

STREET CAR IS KNOCKED FROM TRACK BY TRUCK

House of Miss Nellie Keating Is Damaged by Impact and Motor-

Keating, 1323 30th street. The foundation of the house slightly da aged and the trolley pole on top of the car went through an upper window of the dwelling.

Were Forced Back.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, November 24.—The site of ncient Mizpah, 5,000 yards west of the Jerusalem-Nabulus road, has been stormed by the British, the war office announces. British mounted troops, which had advanced northward, wer

forced back by the Turks. The mounted troops had approached Beit Unia, and, after being driven back took up a position at Beit Ur el-Foka (twelve miles northwest of Jerusalem) The statement also says the enemy

The town of En-Nebi Samwil, about five miles northwest of Jerusalem, is generally believed to have been the generally believed to have been the site of the ancient town of Mizpah, the famous city of Benjamin. Tradition points out this is as the birthplace, residence and burial place of the Prophet Samuel, and there is a mosque which contains the traditional tomb of

ARTILLERY HALL OPENED.

he prophet.

Yale Armory Built by Graduates at Expense of \$35,000.

through.

Irish Drive Entering Wedge.

It was a big undertaking, for the Irish came under concentrated rifle and machine gun fire as soon as they began to advance, but they maintained their reputation for valor and bombed their way with such grim determination that they drove an entering wedge into the trench system near Havrincourt. Northwest of the canal. This elevation was strongly forticed with dugouts and there was a supersolution of the town is a high bank on the west of the canal. This elevation was strongly forticed with dugouts and there was a supersolution of the town is a high bank on the west of the canal. This elevation was strongly forticed with dugouts and there was a supersolution of the town is a high bank on the west of the canal. This elevation was strongly forticed with dugouts and there was a supersoluted at commence—

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MIGHTY THRUSTS OF HUN HORDES HALTED IN ITALY

Definite news of the destruction | Teutons Turned Back Between the Asiago Plateau and Brenta River.

HARDENED MEN AMAZED AT BLOODINESS OF FIGHT

Losses Truly Terrible, Though Those of the Invader Exceed Casualties in Gen. Diaz's Armies.

ROME, November 24. - Powerful hrusts which were carried out yesterday by the Austro-Germans after heavy the Brenta river all failed, the Italian war office announced today. The text of the statement reads:

"On the mountain front from Asiago "Dispatches received from Admiral plateau to the Brents powerful thrusts, ims state that a German U-boat has which the enemy stubbornly carried out

ing to cross the Piave river in boats were thrown into the water by cannon

Berlin Official Report.

BERLIN, November 24 (via London). Italian attacks against the Austro-German positions west of the Brenta river and between the Brenta and Piave rivers yesterday failed, the German war office

Armies Losses Are Great.

By the Associated Press.

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, Friday, November 23.—The battle of the mountains is raging with unexampled violence. The Italians again hold the Monte Tomba and Monte Pertica positions which they lost last night. The losses have been very great, but the enemy's far exceed those of the Italians.

Brilliant Charges Win. The recapture of the Italian position Monte Tomba was account.

on Monte Tomba was accomplished by s succession of brilliant charges which dye the snows red and left the ground piles with enemy dead. Monte Pertica was los man Is Injured.

With enemy dead Monte Pertica was lost and won four times, the enemy are being thrown back. Although the losses have been terrible, those of the enemy are by far the greater, owing to the condition of the Washington Railway and Electric Company narrowly escaped serious injury today when a big motor truck crashed into the car at 30th street and Dumbarton avenue northwest, forcing the car off the track and into the side of the boarding house of Miss Nellie Keating, 1323 30th street.

Bloody Struggle Results.

upper window of the dwelling.

The Auto Delivery Company, owners of the truck, claim the vehicle was damaged to the extent of \$1,500.

M. E. Woodward of 724 B street northeast, motorman of the car, was cut by flying glass from the platform as the car went up on the sidewalk. E. G. Rainey of 1327 East Capitol street, the conductor, was uninjured. According to the police, the truck, operated by Oliver Neal of 1225 25th street, was going south in 30th street when it struck the street car about six feet from the front end.

BRITISH STORM SITE

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London Admits Mounted Forces,
Which Pressed Further North,

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The references in these dispatches to the fearful havoc among regiments, brigades and divisions should be interpreted with the knowledge that the Italian unit of organization is of such size that the reduction of an Italian regiment to 300 or 400 men means that upward of 2,000 have fallen. From an authoritative source this information is given in regard to the Italian units:

A battalion is 1,000 men, in four companies. A regiment is 3,000 men of three battalions. A brigade is 6,000 men of two regiments. A division is two or three brigades. An army corps is two or three divisions. It is this regimental formation of 3,000 men which makes it appalling fighting when only 300 or 400 remain.

Limit to Endurance.

In fact, it is not denied that there is a limit to human endurance in these circumstances and that the Italian troops which are fighting with such heroic bravery may have to fail back to more secure positions, but the possibility of this is diminishing with every hour that the resistance continues. Reinforcements might yet save the day, but it should be understood that the Italians are fighting their battles single-handed and that the allied reinforcements are not yet represented anywhere on the fighting lines. The mountain battle, which is now nearing its highest stage, is one of three battles which are going on simultaneously with various degrees of (Continued on Second Page.) (Continued on Second Page.)

"Somewhere in France" With Sergt. Empey

Tomorrow

"SHANGHAIED AT SEVEN-TEEN" is the title of the first of this thrilling series (each article complete in itself) by an Amer-ican boy who fought seventeen months in the British trenches and tells the real, unvarnished truth about "over there." In the Special Features Section of

THE ENEMY'S LIAR AT WORK-DON'T HELP HIM! **OBJECTS TO PLAN** BY NATIONAL CAPITAL

FOOD ADMINISTRATION SEIZE CANNED

Fuel Administrator Unable to Learn Why Railroads Fail to Move Supply.

The District fuel administration joined with the public today in wondering supplies of coal intended for Washington which are held up in freigh yards near Philadelphia.

Today, with a steadily declining tem perature, the capital faced a fuel fam ne which might develop overnight officials said, if snow and cold weather hould set in.

Is Without Information.

The United States fuel administra on was today without knowledge of the whereabouts of the 150 carloads of coal reported "on the way here" three days ago. Orders have been steadily refused by dealers for the past week and hundreds of empty bins were in as many District homes today.

All sources of information on coal movements today "passed the buck" to

Coal Held Up at Junction.

tration offices and the office of the fed-eral fuel administrator for the District.

NOW CALLED CRITICAL

Plan for Pooling All Traffic Systems of the Country Discussed by Officials.

A plan for pooling the entire railway equipment and traffic of the United States was taken up here today at a conference between government officials and railroad heads. Congestion has reached a stage, it is realized, where radical measure must be put into force if the country's

traffic is to be moved. The conference was attended by mem bers of the railroad war board, Robert S. Lovett, government director of prior ity of transportation; Fuel Adminis-

trator Garfield, Food Administrator Hoover, Chairman Hurley of the shipping board and others.

Although the railroads are handling a much larger volume of freight and passenger traffic than they ever moved before, railroad officials admit that unless something is done immediately the lines cannot carry all that is offered by the public for transportation. lines cannot carry all that is offered by the public for transportation.

Joint operations of the roads by the railroad war board has helped the situation, but all recognize that more must be done if the problem is to be solved. Even pooling the tracks and equipment will not be enough, some railroad heads believe, and they have presented to the government a list of more than 500 commodities for which they ask that transportation be denied, on the ground that their movement is not essential

BREAD SHORTAGE IN VIENNA.

Report That City Has Supply for Only Ten Days.

LONDON, November 24.—Vienna is threatened with a shortage of grain, bread and other foods, owing to transport difficulties, according to reports made at a conference of local food organizations and reported by the Neue Freie Presse and forwarded from Coenhagen by the Exchange Telegraph that date. A number of excesses are ompany. The population, the newspaper said,

was startled by the statement that Vienna only had sufficient bread for the next ten days. It was said that sufficient potatoes were available, however, to allow each person one and one-half kilograms weekly.

propertied class have been murdered. The situation, the dispatch adds, is growing critical for the propertied class. The socialists are armed with military rifles and further excesses are feared. and the state of t

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SALARIES

Senator La Follette Wants People to Choose Deceased Colleague's Successor.

the leading editorial in La Follette's reated by the death of Senator Husting be filled by a special election. He of the Senate, in an interview today. leclares his strong opposition to the proposal of Gov. Phillips that the legisature grant him permission to fill the acancy by an appointment until the appointee of the governor will have great prestige in the succeeding election to succeed himself. Special interests in the Congress are well taken care of, and the people should have an opportunity to elect their representative to succeed Senator Husting, who

vas a progressive democrat. Combats Governor's Proposal.

"The governor has announced his pres ent intention of calling a special session of the legislature to secure legislation permitting him to make an appointment, weeks, are being held up at a junction near Philadelphia because of "congestion," according to information received at both the United States fuel administration offices and the office of the federal fuel administrator for the District.

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"The coal situation in the District is becoming daily more acute," said a high official today. "The railroads have the coal on the tracks, but they are not moving it. Washington should be receiving fifty cars of coal a day, whereas the amount coming in is two and three cars at a time."

RAILROAD CONGESTION

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state with their literature and their advocates," and as a further reason that a special election would cost the people a large sum of money.

"His first reason is entirely in keeping with his attempts to prevent the exercise of free speech in the state and is mere camouflage. His second objection may be overcome by calling a special election. If the election be held in April partisan politics may be obviated and the people given an opportunity to consider the selection wholly on the basis of merit.

States Problem Before Congress. States Problem Before Congress.

"There is no difference in Congress about supporting the war until an honorable peace may be obtained, but the great problem before Congress, and which so vitally affects the people's interests, is the one of taxation. On this question the people should have an opportunity to be heard.

"All progressive citizens, irrespective of party, should join in an effort to defeat the scheme for an appointment to fill the vacancy."

Senator Le Follette's statement that "there is no difference in Congress about supporting the war until an honorable peace may be obtained" is of considerable interest in view of the fact

considerable interest in view of the fact that on Monday the Senate privileges and elections subcommittee is to resume its investigations into the alleged disch made by Senator La Fol-

Committee to Meet at 10 A.M. The committee is to meet at 10 o'clock onday morning. Only three of the ve members probably will be in Wash-Senator Pomerene, chairman, and Sena-tors James and Dillingham. Senator Walsh of Montana has telegraphed that he is indisposed and will not return to Washington for another week, and Sen-ator Fall of New Mexico has not been heard from. At his office it was said he probably would not be here Monday.

Army Corps, which has been in the Mann white slave act. Johnson, who has Lieut. Gen. Sir W. R. Marshall has been named to command the British forces in Mesopotamia, succeeding Maj. Gen. Frederick S. Maude, who died

EXCESSES INCLUDE MURDER. General Strike in Finland Imperils Shop Early

Men of Property. LONDON, November 24 .- The general strike in Finland was approaching conclusion Wednesday, according to Reuter dispatch filed at Helsingfors of reported, especially in south Finland where about twenty-five men of the propertied class have been murdered. when you cat to a to come by ...

SENATOR GALLINGER IS FOR SUFFRAGE IN D. C

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Wants the District Represented in Congress and in the Electoral College.

stitutional amendment giving the people of the District the right to elect representatives in Congress and to vote for presidential and vice presidential electors," said Senator Gallinger of "Ever since I first came to Congress years ago, I have been impressed with the anomalous position of the people of the National Capital. The forefather of the National Capital. The forefathers of the country fought the English because of taxation without representation. Yet that is just what exists here in Washington, though the population of the Distret is as great as some of the states and greater than several.

"I do not think that the people of the states would have the least opposition to the ratification of the proposed constitutional amendment. I know the people of New Hampshire would have no objection to it, and I cannot conceive that the people of the other states would fight it.

"The people of Washington are entitled

is now organizing itself to push to en-actment. The sole purpose of the cit-izens' joint committee on national rep-resentation for the District is to work for the adoption of this amendment.

PROBE OF SUGAR HOARDING

Reports of sugar hoarding and com-

Buying more sugar now than is absolutely needed is selfishness that shows a lack of patriotism."

The food administration has not thus far considered seriously the issuance of sugar cards to apportion supplies, it was plearned on good authority today, and the administration is hopeful that the problem of sugar shortage will be solved by co-operation of the public and dealers with the food agencies rather than by the enforcement of autocratic measures. the enforcement of autocratic measures

UNDER WHITE SLAVE LAW. Federal Warrant Out for Negro Released by Gov. McCall.

BOSTON, November 24.—Federal authorities in Boston, it became known oday have been ordered to arrest John Johnson, a negro of Charleston, W. Va., on a warrant charging violation of the been held here on a charge of being a fugitive, was released Wednesday afte Gov. McCall had refused to grant fov. McCall had refused to grant a equisition for his return to West Virinia for trial for an alleged attack on young white girl.

Search is being made for Johnson who is charged with transporting a woman from another state to West Virinia.

Two small words, but

they mean much to you -to the people you wish to favor with acceptable Xmas gifts and to the stores that are anxious to serve you satisfactorily.

RUSSIAN EMBASSY

Ambassador Bakhmeteff Tells Labor Troubles Also Cited as U. S. Extremists Do Not Represent People.

THREE OFFICERS RESIGN OFFICIALS STUDY PROBLEM

Ambassador Bakhmeteff of Russia notified the State Department formally today that the embassy does not recognize the authority of the extremists Petrograd.

In a letter to Secretary Lansing, following the resignation of three of the chief officers of the embassy to avoid having relations with the bolsheviki, the ambassador said the bolsheviki government was not representative of the true will of the Russian people and that he would not recognize that or any similar government which would lead the country into non-participation in the war.

The ambassador added, however, that he considered himself duty bound to remain at his post, and would do so, with a competent staff of assistants.

Three Who Resign. The three chief officers of the em-bassy here who resigned today are C. Onou, counsellor; John Sookine, first secretary, and F. de Mohrenschildt, sec-

secretary, and F. de Mohrenschildt, second secretary.

Mr. Sookine came to Washington with Ambassador Boris Bakhmeteff after the overthrow of the monarchy and has been the ambassador's chief assistant.

Mr. Mohrenschildt married Miss Nona Haselhurst McAdoo, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, last May. Both he and Mr. Onou were attached to the embassy before the arrival of the new ambassador.

Has Maintained Attitude.

Mr. Sookine, who also is an officer of the Russian army, and Mr. Nohren-schidt have offered their services to the American government for the war against Germany.
The ambassador's letter to Secretary

against Germany.
The ambassador's letter to Secretary Lansing follows:
"My Dear Mr. Secretary:
"In connection with the events which are taking place at present in Russia I have considered it imperative to define clearly the attitude which the embassy has adopted with regard to further activities.
"From the very outset of the revolt in Petrograd the embassy has considered a "bolsheviki government as anti-national and not representative of the true will of the Russian people.
"The embassy has, therefore, refused to accept the authority and has not entered into any contract with the group at present in power in Petrograd. In the future I will continue in not recognizing a bolsheviki or any similar government, which would break loyalty to Russia's allies and lead the country to a non-participation in the war.

Has Maintained Attitude. "However disorganizing and danger-us for my country and the common llied cause might be the passing rule f the 'bolsheviki.' I have not declined objection to it, and I cannot conceive that the people of the other states would fight it.

"The people of Washington are entitled to representation in the body which makes the laws for them and for the rest of the country, Congress."

The resolution proposing the constitutional amendment granting suffrage in the District as outlined by Senator Gallinger is now before the Senate District committee and strong efforts will be made to get favorable action upon it at the coming session of Congress. It is this amendment which Washington is now organizing itself to push to en-loval and national Russia.

representation for the District is to work or the adoption of this amendment.

ROBE OF SUGAR HOARDING
AND COMBINATION SALES

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Duty to Remain at Post.

Reports of sugar with other commodities by Washington grocers are under investigation by the District food administration today.

Dealers who have violated the regulations governing the sale of sugar in the District today face the prospect of having their licenses taken away if the reports made to the food administration are proved true. Combination sales are going to be followed by punishment to the guilty dealers. This was made plain by Food Administrator Wilson.

"The sugar situation in Washington will be acute for some time," said Mr. Wilson. "Households, hotels and restaurants should be careful of the supply.

Duying to Remain at Post.

"As to myself, I consider it my duty to main at my post, having to hold firmly the dignity of national and loval Russia and to maintain the responsibility of all engagements and cemmitments of the legal government of Russia which has been intrusted to me. I will continue to carry such duties unless another legal representative recognized as such by the United States government would take charge of the representation of Russia, after a formal acceptance of the whole of its functions, duties and liabilities. "In the meantime, defending the symbol of a national representation of Russia, I will carry on the current affairs pertaining to the manifold matters in which the Russian government has contracted tight bonds in the process of war co-operation with the government of the United States and different institutions of this country.

Render All Protection.

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"I will endeavor, as well, to render all possible protection to the interests of the citizens of Russia in this country and will give support to all activities of individuals and institutions in Russia whose endeavors are directed to frustrate the rule of anti-national elements and contribute to the revelation of the true spirit of the country.

ribute of anti-national elements and contribute to the revelation of the true spirit of the country.

"A staff of assistants necessary for the fulfillment of this task will remain at the embassy and other Russian institutions in the United States, performing the heavy patriotic duty and contributing through their devotion to the endeavors which are actually made in Russia by different departments and institutions. which, not recognizing institutions, which, not recognizing the bolsheviki government, apply all efforts to oppose its destructive activities by maintaining to the utmost the war mechanism and preventing the dangerous disrupture of all elements "Accept, excellency, the renewed as-

surances of my highest consideration. "BORIS BAKHMETEFF."

PERMIT FOR MEETING DENIED. Chattanooga Bars Miss Mande Younger's Public Address.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., November 24

City and county officials have refused permits for Miss Maude Younger, a member of the national woman's party. to speak here. Miss Joy Young, who came here to make arrangements for James G. Scripps, directing head of newspapers owned by his father, E. W. tained an auditorium in a local hotel, Scripps of San Diego, and chairman of tained an auditorium in a local hotel, where Miss Younger is expected to speak next Wednesday. Foster V. Brown, a local attorney and formerly attorney general of Porto Rico, who was introduced to Miss Young, arraigned the methods of the militant suffragettes, especially their attitude toward picketing the White House, and announced he would seek to have the local bar association take steps to prevent their speaking here.

The militants, he said, are doing more to scatter German propaganda than any other organization.

Scripps of San Diego, and chairman of the board of the United Press Association and the Newspaper Enterprise Association, has been denied exemption from military service by the district exemption board.

The appeal from a San Diego board was filed by his father and supported by his business associates, who contended he would be more valuable to scatter German propaganda than any other organization.

CARRIERS BLAMED IGNORES BOLSHEVIKI FOR FUEL SHORTAGE

Factor in Decreased Output in Certain Sections.

Analysis of fuel administration offcials today of the maze of problems connected with the fuel shortage throughout the country places the burnow in control of the foreign office at den of blame upon congestion of the country's most important railroad lines. Labor troubles are also cited by the administration as a factor in decreased output in certain mining sections.

How far the government is dispose to go if necessary to force the continued supply of coal from the mines is evidenced by acts of the fuel administration within the last twentyfour hours.

Transportation difficulties confronting the fuel administration in its efforts to regulate the movement and distribution of coal were discussed yesterday by United States Fuel Administrator Harry A. Garfield with Hale Holden, president of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, and Howard Elliot, president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad.

Maximum Efficiency Sought.

Plans are being worked out, it is said, whereby the railoads will undein the use of the available transp tion facilities.

The solution of the transportation

problem was said today by officials to be the only step between an adequate supply of coal at the mines and an equitable distribution among all secequitable distribution among all sections of the country.

Acting on this theory, Fuel Administrator Garfield requested the priority board to revoke the order requiring all coal shipments from middle westernfields to go through to the lakes for transhipment to the northwest. The purpose is to divert the coal to relieve acute shortages in the middle west and New England. The latter section is suffering most acutely from a coal shortage, reports to the fuel administration today indicated.

Sale by Pooling Possible.

By its approval of a producers' pool formed at Cleveland to handle the shipments of mines in Ohio, West Virginia, a part of Pennsylvania and perhaps Kentucky and Tennessee, the government gave encouragement to the suggestion from producers that eventual government pooling and sale of all coal mined in this country is possible. Under a government pooling plan, which, if made operative at all would be effective next spring to replace the shippers' pool, the government would se enecuive next spring to replace shippers' pool, the government we requisition the entire coal output, s ing it without profit, the government itself by its priority powers direct all shipments.

If operators permit labor difficulties o cause a suspension of mining the

accept this suggestion the mines will be taken over by the government for operation, pending determination of costs. The Oklahoma producers notified the fuel administration that they would not be able to keep their wage Pussia is bound to a true spirit of the positive action the true spirit of the loyal and national Russia.

"However, it is evident that until conditions change the Russian embassy cannot exercise in full measure the result exercise in full measure the message Administrator Garfield sent the government allowed them charge 45 cents a ton extra. To message Administrator Garfield the following reply:

Reply of Mr. Garfield.

"Replying to your telegram, will not consent to change 45 cent increase to cover increases of wages. If, as total result, you are unable to operate at a profit, the way to proceed is to file statements here showing your 1916 total costs, and costs for 1917, month by month, and meanwhile keep the by month, and meanwhile keep the mines in operation. Alternative will be to turn over mines to me for operation pending determination of costs. In other words, the only way in which the relation of increase of wages to increase allowed by President's orders in prices of coal can now be adjusted is by showing actual labor costs in conjunction with the total costs as compared with earlier period above indicated. Under no circumstances must mines be closed down."

Michigan operators also were warned today that the government will take over their mines if they carry out their threat of refusing to sell coal at government prices.

Newly-opened coal mines were put-

threat of refusing to sell coal at government prices.

Newly-opened coal mines were put under direct government control by the fuel administration, which issued regulations governing their operation and fixed prices at which their output may be sold. Development of further new coal properties during the warwill be discouraged on the grounds that old mines can be operated more effectively.

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Classed as Newly-Opened Mines.

Operations classed as newly-opened mines are those opened before September 1 and ready to produce coal by Janeuary 1, 1918. After the mines are producing at the rate of 250 tons a day they will be permitted to charge profit of 15 cents a ton above the actual cost of production; until them they may charge only the present government fixed prices.

An order directing preferential movement for coal through Hampton roads to New England points by water was issued by Administrator Garfield today, It will apply particularly to coal mined in West Virginia. Many New England industries are face to face with suspension of operations unless relief is afforded in the next few days, the administration's priority order said.

SCRIPPS MUST ENTER ARMY.

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